

**Remarks**

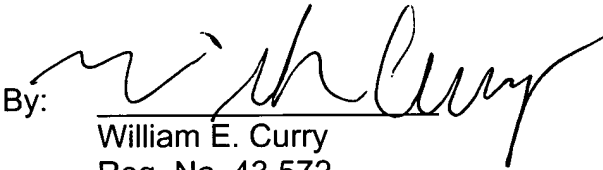
Claims 1-7 and 9-19 are pending in the application. Claims 8 and 20 have been canceled hereinabove without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Claims 1-7 and 9-19 were allowed. Accordingly, since the application now contains only allowed claims, favorable reconsideration and early issuance of a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4323 to discuss any matter concerning this application. The Office is authorized to charge any fees related to this communication to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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